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## SCHOOL LAND "LEGAL FRAUD" QUIZ ON

**Downtown Real Estate Valuation by Jesse Holdom and Simeon W. Strauss Opened for Inquiry—Myer J. Stein and Others Asked to Appear.**

Suits filed by Angus Ray Shannon, attorney for the board of education, in which a school land appraisal by Judge Jesse Holdom and Simeon W. Strauss are described as "legal fraud" will probably come in for attention by the sub-committee of the council schools committee.

Reports by Holdom and Strauss fixed the value of schools land at a figure so low that rent would be cheaper. Land is growing less in value in downtown Chicago, according to the Holdom-Strauss figures, and the petition for a court hearing on the appraisal stated that Holdom and Strauss had participated in a deal

by which the people of Chicago lose money, but the act of Holdom and Strauss was a "legal fraud."

Ald. Buck of the subcommittee said today no requests have been made for attendance of Holdom and Strauss at council committee hearings. "If those involved wish to appear and either allege or deny fraud they are free to do so," said Ald. Kennedy. "There is no solid line of the public schools situation but should have free and public laundering at this time."

School land leases held by the Tribune and the Daily News will not be touched on in the committee's in-